

1-1 By: Lozano, Wu, Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 1424
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 13, 2015;
1-3 May 15, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal
1-4 Justice; May 25, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
1-6 May 25, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	Whitmire	X		
1-10	Huffman	X		
1-11	Burton	X		
1-12	Creighton	X		
1-13	Hinojosa	X		
1-14	Menéndez	X		
1-15	Perry	X		

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1424 By: Whitmire

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to increasing penalties for defendants convicted of the
1-20 manufacture or delivery of certain controlled substances.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 481.119(a), Health and Safety Code, is
1-23 amended to read as follows:

1-24 (a) A person commits an offense if the person knowingly
1-25 manufactures, delivers, or possesses with intent to deliver a
1-26 controlled substance listed in a schedule by an action of the
1-27 commissioner under this chapter but not listed in a penalty group.
1-28 An offense under this subsection is a Class A misdemeanor, except
1-29 that the offense is:

1-30 (1) a state jail felony, if the person has been
1-31 previously convicted of an offense under this subsection; or

1-32 (2) a felony of the third degree, if the person has
1-33 been previously convicted two or more times of an offense under this
1-34 subsection.

1-35 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
1-36 to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act.
1-37 An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is
1-38 governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed,
1-39 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For
1-40 purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the
1-41 effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred
1-42 before that date.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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